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NEBRASKA PARTNERSHIP FOR VETERANS CARE

The Partnership is a cooperative effort by the State of Nebraska, VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System, and the Nebraska National Guard, to address the opportunities and challenges for Nebraska Veterans.

VISION: The Partnership will collaborate and coordinate to assist Nebraska Veterans in accessing a dynamic, client focused, integrated health care system which meets their basic needs and enhances their physical and mental/behavioral health.

MISSION: To develop a collaborative and coordinated prevention and integrated care delivery model for the veterans of our state.

GOALS:

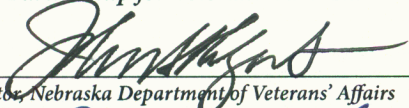
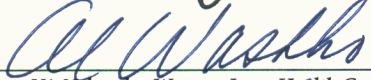
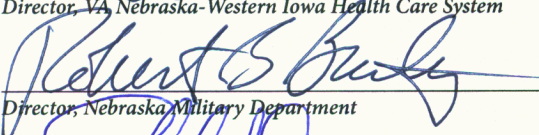

1. Charter members will work to identify all resources that are and can be available to help Nebraska veterans and their families. This should include personnel, providers, facilities, programs, etc., in effort to integrate our services and goals of this partnership.
2. Charter members will work together to create a seamless prevention and care model that is customer friendly. Members will work to provide regularly updated information.
3. Charter members will identify where collaboration presently exists, in and out of the partnership, and document that collaboration. This will help expedite the care model development process and to support communication of what is being done, who is doing it and what do we now need to be doing. This information will be used to also develop a process to identify future work and partners.
4. Charter members will work to create a cooperative and coordinated information campaign for our stakeholders, our providers, our citizens and all the users of our veterans' services.
5. Charter members will identify barriers to access for mental health services for rural veterans and use this information to make recommendations to governmental, institutional or provider entities that could affect access changes.

STRUCTURE: The Partnership presently consists of the Nebraska DHHS, Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs, Nebraska National Guard, and VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System.

CHARTER DECLARATION

We, as individual and organizational statewide partners, embrace our role as vital contributors and are committed to providing valuable services to all veterans of Nebraska.

As public acknowledgement of this role, I would like to add my signature to the Nebraska Partnership for Veterans Care Charter Document.

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|  _____ Director, Nebraska Department of Veterans' Affairs | Date <u>24 NOV 08</u> |
|  _____ Director, VA Nebraska-Western Iowa Health Care System | Date <u>24 NOV 2008</u> |
|  _____ Director, Nebraska Military Department | Date <u>24 NOV 08</u> |
|  _____ Director, DHHS Division of Behavioral Health | Date <u>11/24/2008</u> |